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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Relates to a portable terminal, and particularly provides a terminal that achieves a reduction in unnecessary power consumption in an LCD display unit held in a mobile communication portable terminal. A power reducing apparatus for the portable terminal equipped with a display unit is structured by: a DC/DC converter for supplying power to the display unit; a frequency switching unit for selectively switching and supplying one of a plurality of switching clock frequencies to the DC/DC converter; and a display mode detecting unit for detecting that the display unit has been switched to a predetermined low-power consumption mode, determining one of the plurality of switching clock frequencies according to power consumption reduced in the predetermined lowpower consumption mode based on this detection, and instructing the frequency switching unit to execute this selective switching.